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Mr. Brad Woodhouse American Democracy Legal Fund 455 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20001

RE: MUR 6988

Conservative Solutions Project, Inc.,

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Dear Mr. Woodhouse:

The Federal Election Commission has considered the allegations contained in your complaint dated November 30, 2015, but was equally divided on whether Conservative Solutions Project, Inc., Robert Watkins, Pat Shortridge, J. Warren Thompson, and Joel McElhannon violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. Accordingly, on December 6, 2016, the Commission closed the file in this matter. A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. See Statement of Policy, Disclosure of Certain Documents in Enforcement and Other matters, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,702 (Aug. 2, 2016). A Statement of Reasons explaining the Commission's decision will follow.

The Federal Election Campaign Act allows a complainant to seek judicial review of the Commission's dismissal of this action. See 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(8). If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

Elena Paoli Staff Attorney